# RETIREMENT CEREMONY
# HONORING
# VICE ADMIRAL C. FORREST FAISON III
## MEDICAL CORPS
## UNITED STATES NAVY

25 OCTOBER 2019
ADMIRAL LEUTZE PARK
WASHINGTON NAVY YARD

*That which we do for ourselves dies with us. But, that which we do for others lives on forever in the lives and memories of those we've helped and for whom we've been privileged to care.*

# The Retirement Ceremony

Welcome to the retirement ceremony celebrating Vice Admiral C. Forrest Faison's 39 years of Naval Service. The ceremony you witness today is a time honored tradition of our rich naval heritage and the Nation's expression of appreciation for a job well done! It is the recognition of a career of unselfish dedication, devotion to duty, family separation, and unswerving service to one's country. It is a day of great significance, marking the culmination and recognition of a rewarding life within the Naval Service of the United States of America. VADM Faison and his wife, Michelle, extend their sincere appreciation to all involved in this ceremony and also for your presence in sharing this special day with their family.

## THE HONORABLE RICHARD V. SPENCER
### Secretary of the Navy

Richard V. Spencer of Wyoming was sworn in as the 76th secretary of the Navy Aug. 3, 2017.

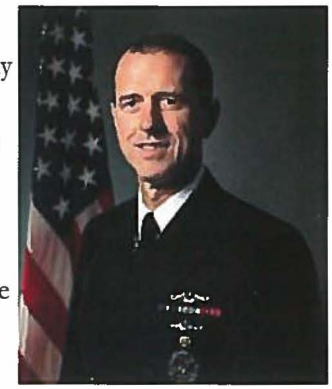
A Connecticut native, Spencer graduated from Rollins College in 1976 with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Upon graduation he joined the United States Marine Corps and proudly served as an H-46 pilot until 1981 before departing active duty to enter the private finance sector.

Spencer worked on Wall Street for 16 years with responsibilities centered on investment banking services and a particular focus on strategic advisory services and capital market underwriting. After three years as president of Crossroads Investment Management LLC, a leading venture capital and private equity fund-of-funds investment firm, Spencer joined Intercontinental Exchange, Inc. (NYSE-ICE), the leading electronic commodity futures exchange, as chief financial officer. ICE introduced transparency and risk management to the global derivatives markets. As vice chairman he was responsible for the transition of the company from private to public, including initial board of directors recruitment, the initial public offering and the subsequent three secondary offerings, financial reporting, strategy development and implementation, and human resources management.

From 2007 to 2017 Spencer was the managing director of Fall Creek Management, LLC.

Spencer served on the Board of Directors of Global Atlantic Financial Group, ENGAGEcx LLC, 86Borders LLC and StarPound Technologies. His charitable activities include board service on the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation, The Community Foundation of Jackson Hole, Teton County Search & Rescue Foundation, Veterans Campaign/ Center for Second Service, and Honoring Our Vets. Spencer served on the Defense Business Board and the Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel.

## ADMIRAL JOHN M. RICHARDSON (RET.)
### 31st Chief of Naval Operations



Admiral John Richardson graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science in Physics. He holds master's degrees in electrical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, and National Security Strategy from the National War College.

At sea, Richardson served on USS Parche (SSN 683), USS George C. Marshall (SSBN 654) and USS Salt Lake City (SSN 716). He commanded USS Honolulu (SSN 718) in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Richardson also served as commodore of Submarine Development Squadron (DEVRON) 12; commander, Submarine Group 8; commander, Submarine Allied Naval Forces South; deputy commander, U.S. 6th Fleet; chief of staff, U.S. Naval Forces Europe and U.S. Naval Forces Africa; commander, Naval Submarine Forces, and director of Naval Reactors.

His staff assignments include duty in the attack submarine division on the Chief of Naval Operations staff; naval aide to the President; prospective commanding officer instructor for Commander, Submarine Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet; assistant deputy director for Regional Operations on the Joint Staff; and director of Strategy and Policy at U.S. Joint Forces Command.

Richardson served on teams that have been awarded the Presidential Unit Citation, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Navy Unit Commendation, and the Navy "E" Ribbon. He was awarded the Vice Admiral Stockdale Award for his time in command of USS Honolulu.

Richardson served as the 31st Chief of Naval Operations from September 2015 to August 2019

# VICE ADMIRAL C. FORREST FAISON, III
## Surgeon General of the Navy
## Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Vice Adm. Forrest Faison was born in Norfolk, Virginia, grew up in Rocky River, Ohio and received his baccalaureate degree from Wake Forest University. Commissioned in 1980, Faison earned his doctorate degree in medicine and surgery from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in 1984. He completed post-graduate training in general pediatrics at Naval Hospital San Diego and fellowship training in neurodevelopmental pediatrics at the University of Washington.

Faison served as commander, Navy Medicine West and Naval Medical Center San Diego; deputy chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, for Current and Future Healthcare Operations; commanding officer, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton; commanding officer, U.S. Expeditionary Medical Facility; U.S. Medical Task Force, Kuwait; deputy commander, Naval Medical Center Portsmouth, Virginia; Group Surgeon, 3d Force Service Support Group, Fleet Marine Forces, Pacific; director of Department of Defense Telemedicine, Washington, D.C.; chief information officer, Navy Medicine; director, clinical services, U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Japan; Naval Hospital Lemoore; USS Texas (CGN 39); and Amphibious Group 3.

Faison is board certified and an associate clinical professor in pediatrics and a distinguished professor of military medicine at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and is a senior member of the American Association for Physician Leadership and guest lecturer at Harvard Business School.

In addition to numerous unit and campaign awards, Faison's personal awards include the Navy Distinguished Service Medal (two awards), Legion of Merit (six awards); Meritorious Service Medal (three awards); Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal; and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. For an innovative partnership with San Diego county to improve chronic illness care coordination, he was awarded the California Medical Community's Lighthouse Award for visionary leadership and inspiring health innovation; a first for the Department of Defense. Additionally, the Government of Japan awarded Faison the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force Commendation Medal for his support and collaboration in medical education and research and coordinating Navy Medicines support response to the Tomodachi earthquake.

Faison served as the deputy surgeon general of the Navy and deputy chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery from 2013 to 2015 and began serving as the 38th surgeon general of the Navy Dec. 15, 2015.

# Past Surgeon Generals of the Navy

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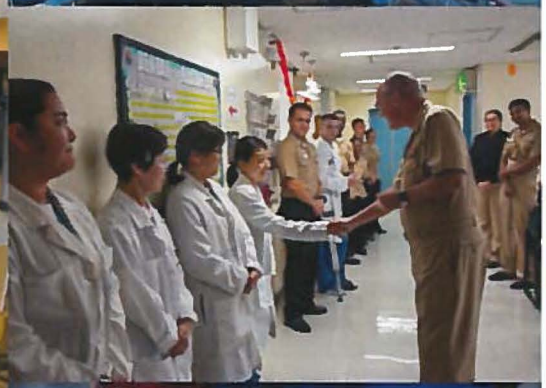
# Chiefs of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

## Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

William P.C. Barton 1842-1844
Thomas Harris 1844-1853
William Whelan 1853-1865
Phineas J. Horwitz 1865-1869
William M. Wood 1869-1871
Johnathan M. Foltz 1871-1872
James C. Palmer 1872-1873

## Title of Surgeon General added in 1871

Joseph Beale 1873-1877
William Grier 1877-1878
J. Winthrop Taylor 1878-1879
Philip S. Wales 1879-1884
Francis M. Gunnell 1884-1888
John Mills Brown 1888-1893
James Rufus Tryon 1893-1897
Newton L. Bates 1897-1897
William J. Van Reypen 1897-1902
Presley M. Rixey 1902-1910
Charles F. Stokes 1910-1914
William C. Braisted 1914-1920
Edward R. Stitt 1920-1928
Charles E. Riggs 1928-1933
Percival S. Rossiter 1933-1938
Ross T. McIntire 1938-1946
H. Lamont Pugh 1951-1955
Bartholomew W. Hogan 1955-1961
Edward C. Kenney 1961-1965
Robert B. Brown 1965-1969
George M. Davis 1969-1973
Donald L. Custis 1973-1976
Willard P. Arentzen 1976-1980
J. William Cox 1980-1983
Lewis H. Seaton 1983-1987
James A. Zimble 1987-1991
Donald F. Hagen 1991-1995
Harold M. Koenig 1995-1998
Richard A. Nelson 1998-2001
Michael L. Cowan 2001-2004
Donald C. Arthur, 2004-2007
Adam M. Robinson Jr, 2007-2011
Matthew L. Nathan, 2011-2015
C. Forrest Faison III, 2015-2019



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# *Career History*

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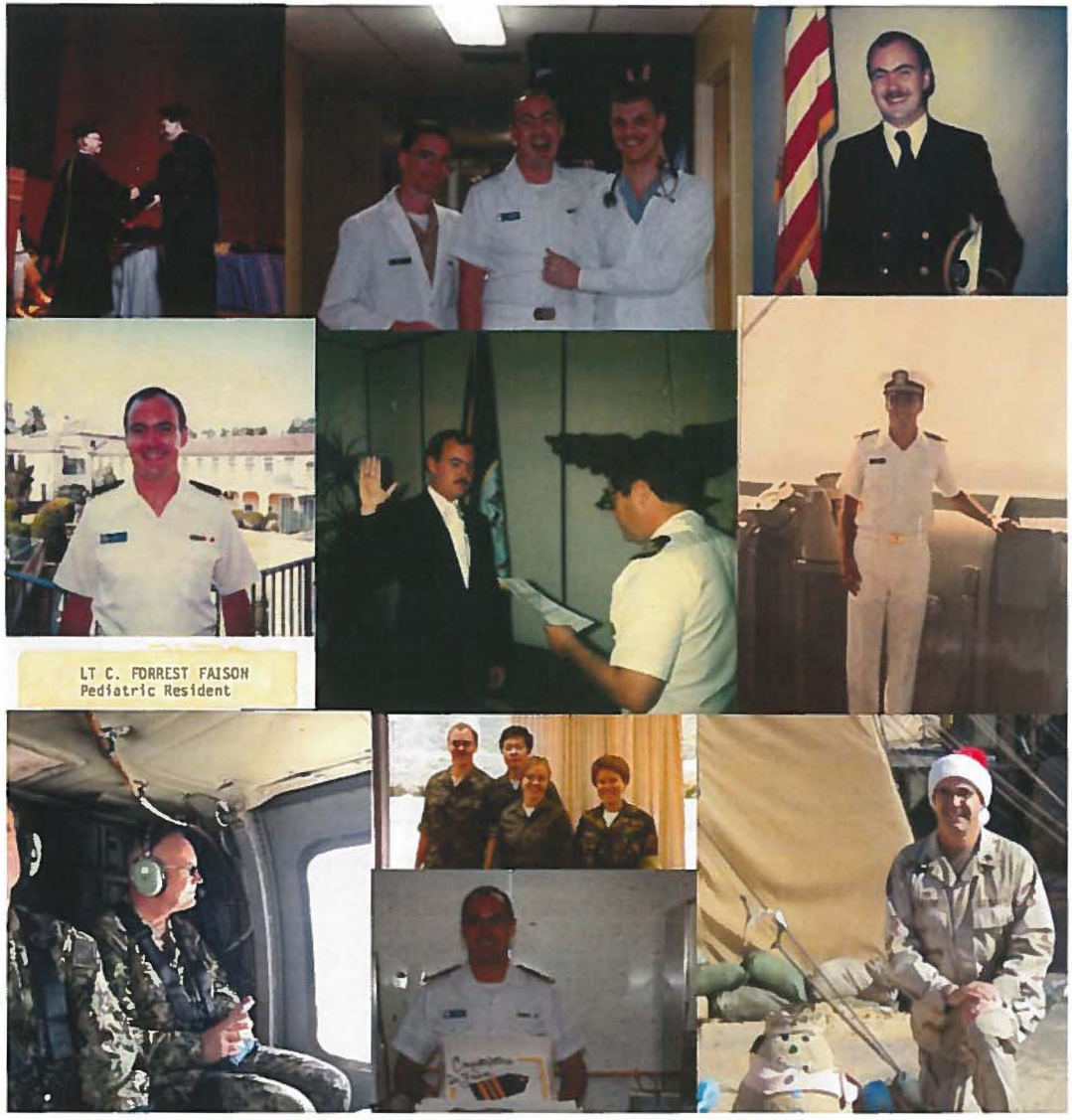
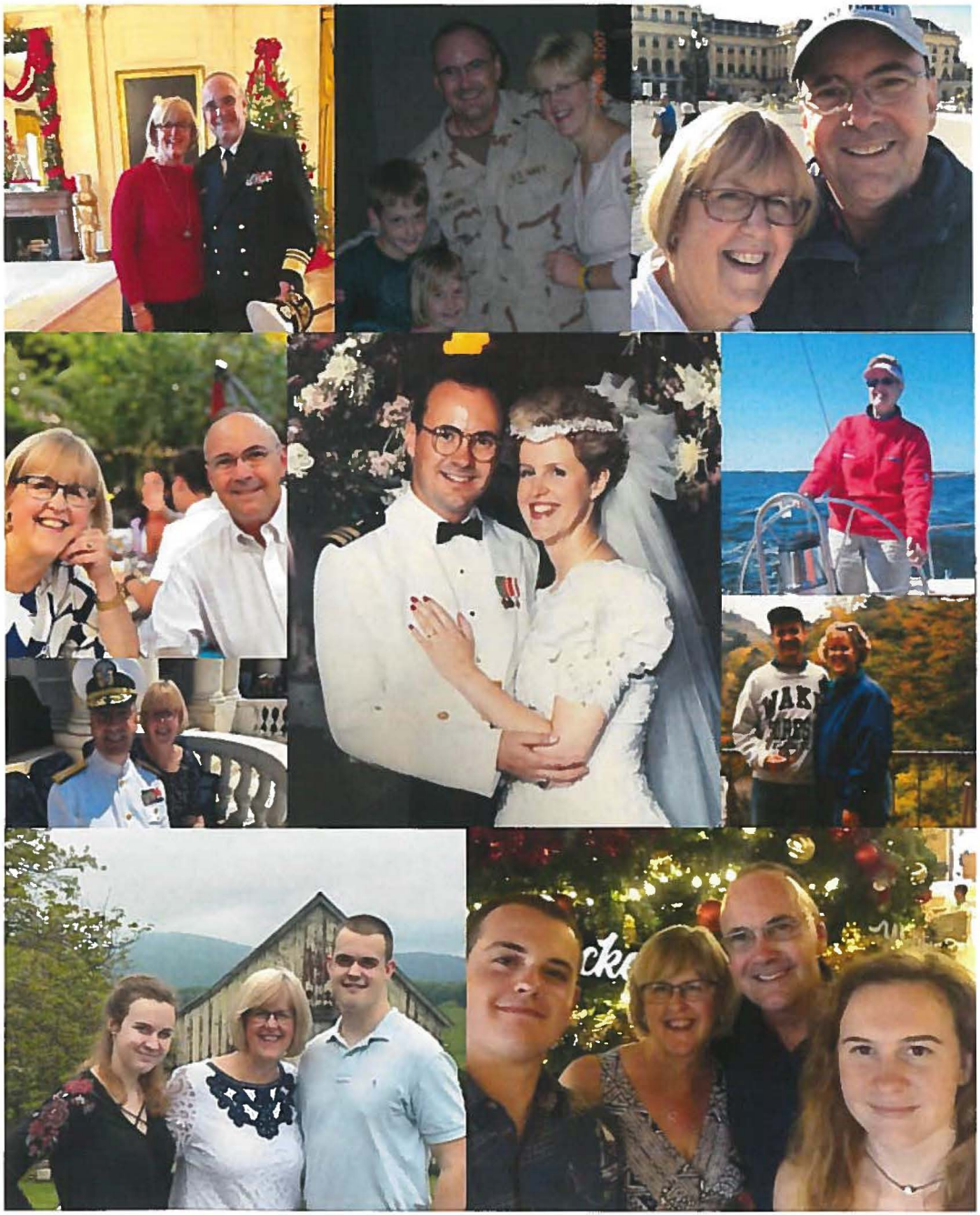
| Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences | April 1980-May 1984 |
| Naval Hospital San Diego | June 1984-May 1985 |
| USS Texas (CGN-39) | May 1985-September 1986 |
| Naval Hospital San Diego | September 1986-September 1988 |
| Naval Hospital Lemoore | September 1988-September 1991 |
| Naval Hospital Yokosuka | October 1993-October 1996 |
| Naval Medical Information Management Center | November 1996-July 2000 |
| Group Surgeon, 3D Force Service Support Group, Fleet Marine Force, Okinawa | August 2000-August 2002 |
| CIO and Clinical Executive Assistant to the Surgeon General, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery | August 2002-September 2004 |
| Deputy Commander, U.S. Naval Medical Center Portsmouth | September 2004-April 2007 |
| Commander, Joint Medical Task Force Kuwait | April 2006-May 2007 |
| Commanding Officer, Expeditionary Medical Facility Kuwait | |
| Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton | July 2007-July 2009 |
| Deputy Chief M3/M5, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery | July 2009-August 2010 |
| Commander, Navy Medicine West/U.S. Naval Medical Center San Diego, CA | August 2010-December 2013 |
| Deputy Surgeon General of the Navy and Deputy Chief Bureau of Medicine and Surgery | December 2013-December 2015 |
| Surgeon General of the Navy and Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery | December 2015-Present |

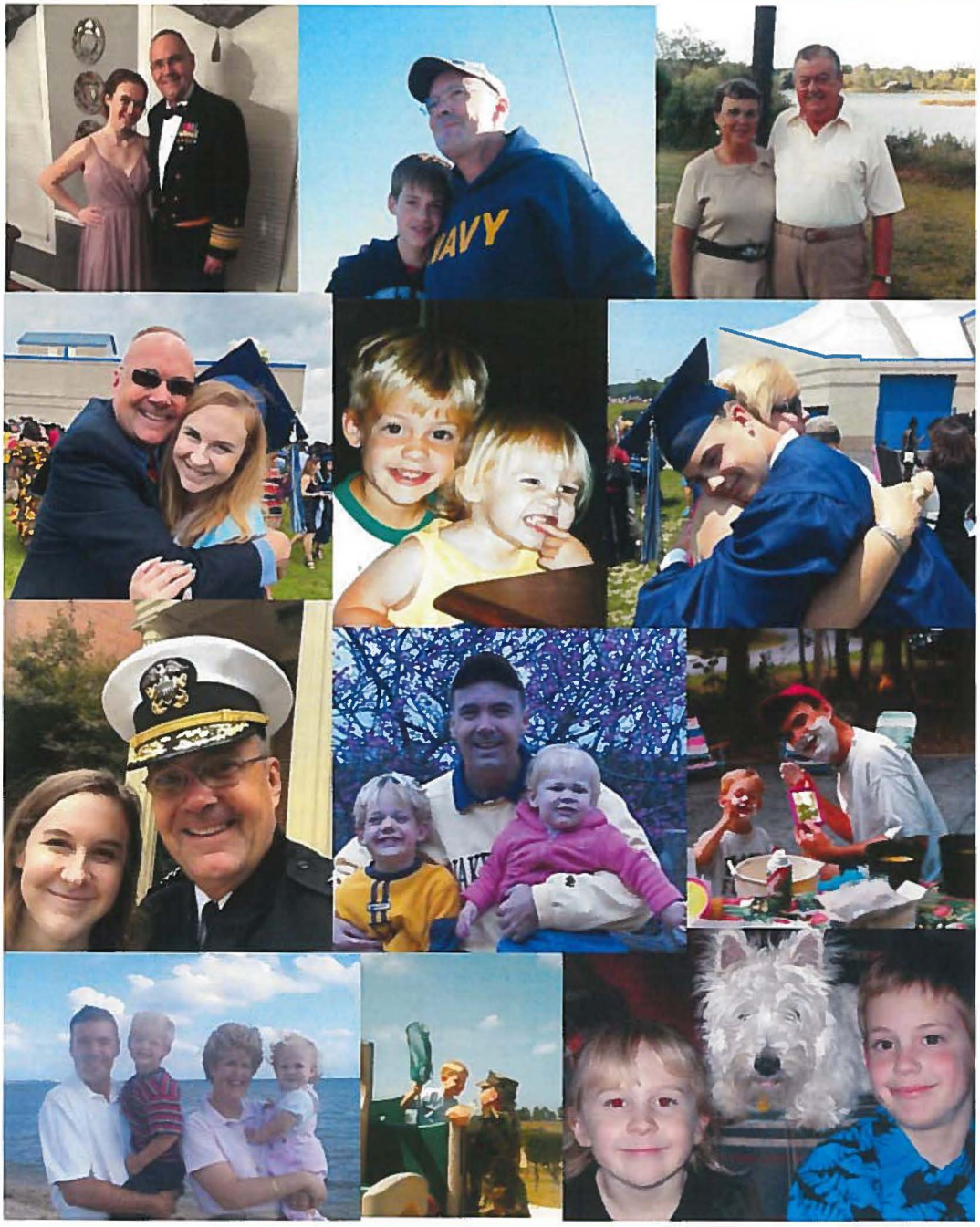
# *Non Sibi, Sed Aliis*

## *Not for self, but for others...*



LT C. FORREST FAISON
Pediatric Resident

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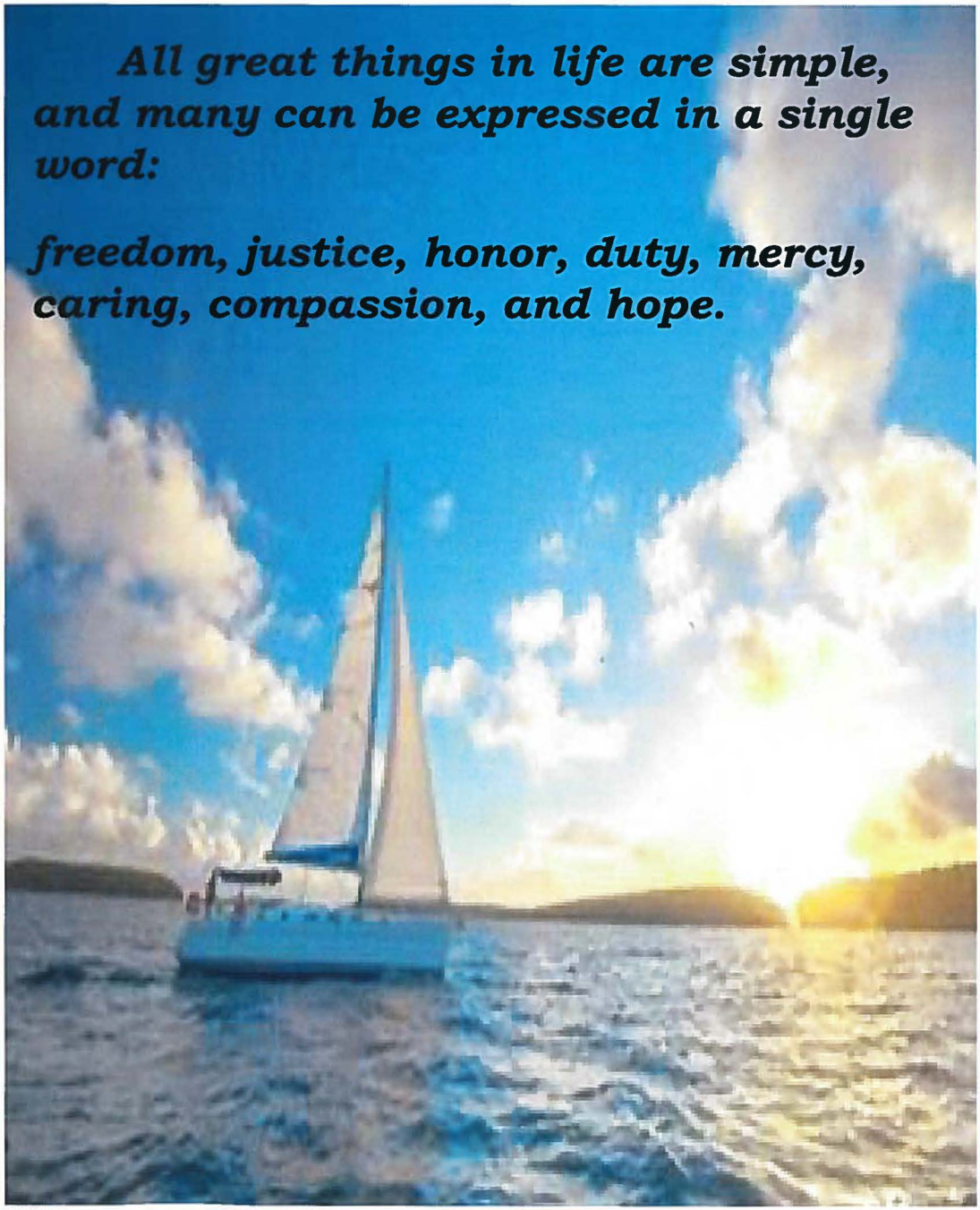
All great things in life are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word:
freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, caring, compassion, and hope.

## *FAREWELL REMARKS*

Dear family and friends:

Thank you so much for taking time to share this special day and occasion with us as we finish one chapter of our lives and begin another. We are honored by your presence. It is said that life's greatest gifts are the friends we make along the journey. If that is true, and it is, then we are blessed beyond measure for knowing each of you and the friendship, trust, love, and commitment to each other we all share. As we start this new chapter in our lives and go forward to wherever God will lead us, we will go with fond and cherished memories of our times together, our service, and our friendship. We hope each of you will keep closely in touch, as we will with you.

For 39 years, it has been the honor and privilege of a lifetime to serve our great nation and have a direct hand in both protecting those we hold dear and passing on to our children the greatest gifts we will ever leave them: freedom and a world better than the world left to us. The opportunity to meet, serve alongside, share memories, and build lasting friendships with each of you makes that honor and privilege all the more special. We wish for each of you all life's happiness ahead and pray that God will richly bless each of you as you have blessed us with your friendship and love.

Thank you again so much for being here today!

Sincerely,

*Forrest and Michelle Faison*

The milestones of a life well lived are those we've touched and helped along the way...